

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant	: Corl et al.
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For	: APPARATUS FOR ASCERTAINING BLOOD CHARACTERISTICS AND PROBE FOR USE THEREWITH
Examiner	: Karen E. Toth
Art Unit	: 3735
Conf. No.	: 3127

## AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated February 2, 2009, the Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider the above-identified patent application in view of the following amendments and remarks, and respectfully request a Notice of Allowability or Advisory Action.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.